

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: **Corbau et al.**

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TITLE: **ISOTHIAZOLE DERIVATIVES  
USEFUL AS ANTICANCER  
AGENTS**

Commissioner for Patents  
BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination of the present application on the merits and calculation of the filing fee, applicants request consideration and entry of the following amendments.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

On page 1, after the title, please insert the following: --The application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/220,087, filed July 21, 2000 and U.K. Patent Application No. 0016787.4, filed July 7, 2000, both of which are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.--

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 1-75 without prejudice to applicants' right to pursue the claimed subject matter in a later filed divisional or continuation application.

Please add new claims 76-152 as follows

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